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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT: RUTH M. PHILLIPS

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I have just returned from Arcadia where CSNA, in conjunction with NASC, put on the Golden State Coin Show, and I'm glad to report that it was one of the most successful conventions we have had in recent years. General Chairman Kay Lenker and her faithful crew of joint club members really outdid themselves. The bourse was sold out, attendance was good, the programs interesting and educational, and the COINS FOR KIDS program was a huge success. The pool-side Saturday Night Awards Banquet was delightful.

At the board meeting, we decided that the South San Francisco Conference Center for the Spring convention was too expensive and it was decided to approach the San Jose Coin Club and ask them to let us have our convention in conjunction with their January 2003 coin show. The San Jose Club has since approved it so mark your calendars for January 17, 18 & 19, 2003, for the CSNA 112th convention. Your next issue of CALCOIN NEWS will carry all the details. We are indeed grateful to the San Jose Coin Club for allowing us to join them at this late date.

The Third Annual CSNA Northern Symposium will be held on October 5th in San Francisco at the same Fort Mason facility where it was held last year. The Pacific Coast Numismatic Society will be hosting the event again this year. They have assembled another great slate of speakers to educate and entertain us at this all-day event.

CALCOIN NEWS editor, Theresa Lund, and Jeff Shevlin, its publisher, have both tendered their resignations effective after the winter 2003 edition is put to bed. We are currently looking for replacements for these two devoted servants of the association, but it will be very difficult to replace them. If you know of anyone who would be interested in the jobs, please contact CSNA Vice President Lee Kuntz, as soon as possible. We are very grateful to these two talented people for the many years of devotion and service to the association. They will be sorely missed.

My thanks to the Nominating Committee for the effort they put forth in presenting a slate of possible new officers for 2003-2004. When you receive your ballots, please send them in as soon as possible because the spring convention has been moved up a month due to the change of location.

Keep in touch. If there is anything you want from your association, let us know. It is always good to hear from you!

RUTH

NEW BOOK IN THE CSNA LIBRARY

Backed by 50 years of numismatic pricing experience, "2003 U. S. Coin Digest" reports 80,000 up-to-date accurate and reliable prices in one portable, spiral bound volume. This reference by Krause Publications and edited by Joel Edler and Dave Harper, offers much more than prices, illustrations and photos in its 264 packed pages.

Harper states, "Three questions dominate every collector's thinking: What is it? What's it worth? And How do I buy one? This new reference will answer all those questions for collectors of U. S. coins".

"2003 U. S. Coin Digest" covers U. S. coins from colonial to present, regular commemoratives from 1892 to 1954, modern commemoratives from 1982 to present, bullion coinage, mint and proof sets and also coins from Hawaii, Philippines and Puerto Rico. Valuable numismatic hobby information presents collectors insight into U. S. coin history, coin minting, varieties, errors, grading, collection organization and shows. An encyclopedic glossary provides common coin hobby terms and their related easy-to-understand meanings.

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The editors are integral members of the numismatic team at Krause Publications. Edler is senior sales and market analyst of numismatics, employed by Krause since 1984. He has also edited the "Standard Catalog of United States Paper Money", and he has provided pricing information to the most recent editions of "North American Coins & Prices."

Harper is editor of *Numismatic News*, *World Coin News* and *Bank Note Reporter.* Employed by Krause since 1978, he has edited most editions of "North American Coins & Prices" and was part of the team that put the first edition together.

"2003 U. S. Coin Digest" (ISBN:0-87349-407-5) was a complementary book sent by Krause Publications for the CSNA Library and is now available for checkout. Contact Ruth Phillips, Librarian at 227 N. Duke Avenue, Fresno, CA 93727-3404. 559 252-3825 or rmphil@msn.com

DID YOU KNOW?

The BRASHER DOUBLOON, produced by Ephraim Brasher, a New York jeweler and goldsmith, a neighbor and a friend of George Washington, was produced in 1787.

The coin was based on the weight standard of Spanish-American gold coinage, weighed about 408 grains and was valued at $15 in New York currency. It was struck with the same dies as the doubloon, resulting in parts of the inscription running over the outer edge of the coin. It is uncertain why Brasher produced these unique pieces.

CSNA ELECTION OF OFFICERS 2003-2004 TERM

The CSNA Nominating Committee, Dorothy Baber (Chair), Phil Iversen and Joel Anderson presents the following carefully considered nominations. Candidates submitted their biographical sketches for your review.

PRESIDENT: G. LEE KUNTZ LM 11-01 CLAREMONT

G. Lee Kuntz has been on the Southern California Numismatic scene for over 45 years. He has been collecting coins since the late 1930's, and is an active collector of early U. S. Large Cents.

Lee is past president of the Los Angeles Coin Club, the Numismatic Association of Southern California, and the California Exonumist Society. He is a member of the San Bernardino County Coin Club, Upland Coin Club, Hawaii State Numismatic Association, Covina Coin Club, Northern California Numismatic Association, the ANA & other numismatic organizations.

Lee has been on CSNA's board for over 10 years, is currently Vice President, and is Life Member 11-1. He was presented their highest award the "Medal of Merit". Additionally he was presented the "Numismatic Ambassador" award by Krause Publications, and twice received the ANA's "Presidential Award" for Outstanding Contribution to the American Numismatic Association and the Hobby of Coin Collecting.

As President of CSNA, Lee will bring to its officers, board and members, experience, knowledge and integrity. He has the interest of the collector at heart, he'll bring a new and exciting challenge to CSNA. His merits are many. As a business owner with a Masters Degree he is fiscally responsible.

VICE PRESIDENT: LILA ANDERSON R 5448 MERCED

When Joel Anderson proposed to his sweetheart, Lila Anderson, he promised her: a life surrounded by money. Every day since the marriage, nearly every square inch of their nest has money in it, in the form of coin, currency, "good fors", numismatic publications, coin club correspondence, money journals, collections in albums and portfolios, in boxes, and displays, correspondence to and from numismatists etc. Lila Anderson leads a life surrounded by money.

Born and raised in Merced, in the geographic center of California (except for fifteen years in the Santa Clara Valley), Merced, has been "home" a sum total of thirty-two years. A graduate of Santa Clara University, Lila is a full time partner in Joel Anderson World Coins. She has worked in insurance, banking and office management.

A singer, Lila has been a lead in numerous operas and a soloist for many events. Now surrounded by numismatics and friendly coin collecting groups, coin club activities, committees and events, Lila, has found a fulfilling life studying money for the past twenty-five years. A special joy has been to twice serve as Gateway Coin Club President and, currently as a Director of CSNA and CALCOIN NEWS Advertising Manager. Lila, along with Joel, has been in charge of a number of CSNA Convention Banquets. They are also the parents of CSNA Junior Member Grace Anderson.

Lila Anderson is a member of ANA, WIN, CES, Charter Member of The Western Wooden Money Club, PCNS, San Jose Coin Club, Cupertino Coin Club, Livermore Valley Coin Club, Delta Coin Club, Stanislaus Coin Club, Gateway Coin Club of Merced County and others.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: DENNIS HALLADAY R 5914 Incumbent RIVERSIDE

Dennis Halladay, CSNA Coprresponding Secretary, is currently serving his second two year term as President of the Upland Coin Club. He is an avid collector of Morgan silver dollars and their varieties, and has recently begun collecting 17th century European talers.

He is an agricultural magazine editor by profession, and resides in Riverside with his wife Amy, and daughter Kerry.

RECORDING SECRETARY: VIRGINIA BOURKE R 3242 Incumbent CHULA VISTA

I was born in Southbridge, Massachusetts, raised in Connecticut and came to California when I was eleven. I became interested in coins and their relationship to history (always a favorite subject) in high school and have been collecting ever since. Most of my coin collecting was in U. S. coins. I started a type set, buffalo nickels, mercury dimes and pretty much stayed with 20th Century coins.

I love art and so branched out to include art medals, tokens etc. Then I began my Great Britain, issues of the Royal British Mint, then Canada, and Mexico not to mention my various topical collecting which is way out of control.

I worked for many years at Rohr Aircraft in Chula Vista, now know as Goodrich Corporation and recently retired. Now I'm trying to figure out just how many coins I have and try to organize my assortment.

My favorite aspect of coin collecting is meeting all the wonderful people associated with this hobby. I have a few other hobbies such as taking in stray or unwanted animals. I have box turtles, a sulcata turtle (he will eventually weigh about 250 pounds), an iguana and my always favorite six dogs.

CSNA MEMBERS WILL RECEIVE BALLOTS IN THE MAIL

TREASURER:
KAY LENKER
LM 14-05 Incumbent
SAN DIEGO

Kay Edgerton Lenker, the incumbent Treasurer of CSNA has managed the funds of the association in a prudent manner and is willing to serve another term. Some of the monies for the Memorial Education Fund have been invested in CD's and when these come to maturity will be transferred to the General Fund to cover expenses for the Symposia and the YN scholarship to the ANA in July 2003

DIRECTORS: NORTH
(FOUR TO BE ELECTED)

BILL FEBUARY
R 5454 INCUMBENT
CLOVIS

Bill first became interested in coins during a coffee break with his boss at the Job Service Office in Huron, South Dakota in 1969. With that simple beginning, a hobby was developed that has become a lifetime obsession with Bill to become the best numismatist that he can be.

During those early collecting years he was introduced as a novice at the local coin club in Huron and quickly became a member and within a couple of years was elected as their Secretary-Treasurer. He served in that position for five years until he moved to Hanford, California in 1982.

Prior to his move, he had attended many state coin shows and eventually turned his hobby to collecting United States Paper Money. He soon was collecting large notes, fractional currency and complete sets of small size paper money. When he arrived in California, his first endeavor was to find a local coin club in the area, so joined the Hanford Coin Club and later upon moving to Visalia joined that club as well. Within his second year as a member of the Visalia Coin Club, Bill was asked to run for an office and was elected as that club's Treasurer. He continued to share the hobby with close friends he had made in Hanford and Visalia and when it looked like a move to Fresno would be required in order to find work decided to attend a Fresno Numismatic Society meeting. He became an active member in that club and was soon nominated to the Board of Directors and in 1987 was elected as that club's Vice President. Next, he held the Office of President and served in that capacity for two years (1989 and 1990).

Bill was honored by his home club as the second person in that club to become a Life Member. He joined the American Numismatic Association (ANA) in 1985; The Society of Paper Money Collectors (SPMC) in 1995 and the California National Currency Collectors (CNCC) in 1997. He still holds membership in the Visalia Coin Club and the Fresno Numismatic Society (FNS) and is an active member in both clubs. He received the Outstanding Numismatist Award from FNS in 1999 and the Award for Numismatic Excellence by the ANA in 2002. Bill has been an exhibitor at many of the local and state coin shows around the state of California and has received many awards as an exhibitor beginning in 1996. He was awarded First Place at the CSNA Show in Modesto for his currency display.

Bill Febuary was elected to the Board of Directors of the CSNA in 2001 and continues to serve on that board as the CSNA Website Coordinator. He has attended many of the CSNA Conventions since he became a member in 1991.

JOSEPH E. LANG
R 5911
SANTA ROSA

Joseph Lang is a member of CSNA and ANA as well as many smaller numismatic associations. He has been a full-time coin dealer in California since 1987. First based in San Diego, Mr. Lang is now located in Santa Rosa and works with Stephen Album, the leading dealer in Islamic and Indian coins.

Joe Lang has been a contributing editor to various editions of Krause publication's *Standard Catalog of World Coins* , *German Coins* and *World Paper Money for over a decade.* He has also contributed to past editions of the Monetary Research Institute's *Banker's Guide to Foreign Currency.* He has specialized in world coins since 1989 with special emphasis in Chinese cash type coins.

JOHN SARTI
R 5943
SAN JOSE

John Sarti's interest in coins began more than 40 years ago. Not only did the beauty of the coins catch his interest, John wanted to know the history of this hobby, especially of the wheat penny.

John, a retired electrician, attended coin shows through the years and began selling coins at these shows about eight years ago. He is currently a member of the American Numismatic Association, CSNA and the San Jose and Livermore Coin Clubs. He is a board member of the San Jose Coin Club.

John's ability in dealing with others and his knowledge of U. S. coins and Numismatic History would be an asset on the CSNA Board.

SARAH NORDIN
R 5966
VALLEJO

Sarah Nordin is a professor of criminal justice at Solano College, in Fairfield, CA, near Sacramento. She researches and collects prison-related exonumia, after finding a prison token in a dealer's bargain box. Her material represents a working collection, which is used in her classes to give students a hands-on perspective of conditions in America's correctional facilities. With an investigator's eye for details, she has uncovered four discovery pieces related to prison tokens.

She also uses the results of her research as a source for software she produces for college textbooks. She has just completed the software for her eighth text, published by Pearson/Prentice-Hall. Sarah is a featured speaker nationwide at conferences and workshops relating to the use of technology in the classroom. She is also in demand as a speaker at coin clubs in the San Francisco Bay area and the Central Valley. She spoke at CSNA's most recent southern symposium in Fullerton.

Professor Nordin is Vice President and a board member of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, as well as a CSNA member, and a member of the California Exonumist Society. She is a regular CSNA exhibitor. At the CSNA convention in February, 2001, she won first place with an exhibit of the first recorded prison token with an *inverted center design*. Sarah's research combines three key elements: the enthusiasm of a personal interest in an engaging subject, the analytical skills of a trained researcher, and the technical expertise of a professional in the field of educational technology.

MICHAEL M. STANLEY
LM 31-9 Incumbent
CONCORD

Michael M. "Steamer" Stanley has 40 years of service in the hobby and has served as a frequent speaker, exhibitor and promoter of numismatics. He is a member of 47 coin clubs on the local, state and national level.

Steamer has served as President of the Northern California Numismatic Association (NCNA) and California Exonumist Society (CES), and Editor of the Diablo Numismatic Society's newsletter, the "Diablo Die Break". He has been a Board Member of the Vallejo Numismatic Society (VNS), CSNA and DNS and been an ANA District Delegate. Mike was CSNA Convention/Show Chairman in San Francisco (1984) and Concord (2002).

Michael M. Stanley is the recipient of the Krause Numismatic Ambassador Award, American Numismatic Association Medal of Merit, Glenn Smedly and two CSNA Presidential Awards. He has also received the Carnody-Lebo Citation and the Diablo Numismatic Society "Fellow Award".

MICHAEL S. TURRINI
LM 30-02 Incumbent
VALLEJO

Among the most involved and committed coin hobbyists here in the Golden State and a Krause Numismatic Ambassador, Michael S. "Stan" Turrini has racked-up an impressive roster during the past thirty years. This year, 2002, marks his thirtieth (30^{th}) anniversary of active devotion to and within organized numismatics.

Presently for CSNA, he is a North Director, the Youth Numismatist Coordinator, and CALCOIN NEWS Assistant Editor. On the national level, Mr. Turrini serves as the ANA Regional Coordinator for Northern California and is the Western United States Director for the Canadian Numismatic Association (CNA). These positions add to his numerous local and regional involvement. He also serves as Editor for the Northern California Numismatic Association's (NCNA) HEADS AND TALES.

Mr. Turrini has been honored with two ANA President's Awards, plus its Glenn Smedley and Medal of Merit. A frequent local coin club speaker, noted researcher, and award winning coin show exhibitor, he strives to provide dynamic and enthusiastic leadership and service to the coin hobby.

Michael S. Turrini's vision for CSNA , is simple but sincere: *'Remember The Past, Protect The Present, and Build For The Future'.*

DIRECTORS, SOUTH OF THE TEHACHAPIS
(FOUR TO BE ELECTED)

KEVIN AKIN
R 5805
RIVERSIDE

Kevin Akin was born in Riverside in 1950, and recalls sorting Lincoln cents by date when 1955 was the latest. He has concentrated on tokens and foreign coins since his sister spent his US coins around 1961. Kevin is a member of ANA, CSNA, TAMS, AINA, ONS, IBNS and has been Vice President and President of the San Bernardino County Coin Club.

Kevin has served in elective and appointive offices in three unions, his congregation and the State Central Committee of his political party. He works at Riverside County Regional Medical Center as a maintenance supervisor. He wrote a history of the hospital that was published in 1993 and is working on a new book for its 110th anniversary next year. After producing a medal for the hospital in 1999, he designed medals for CSNA and the SBCCC. Kevin and his wife, anthropologist Dr. Margie Akin, have four adult children.

GARY BEEDON
R 5892 Incumbent
HUNTINGTON BEACH

Gary Beedon was born in California and is a retired Senior Staff Engineer from Boeing (formerly Douglas Aircraft) having worked 28.5 years in commercial aircraft systems, electronics and later in engineering management. He holds a BS degree in electronics from Long Beach State College.

In addition to CSNA, he supports and belongs to American Numismatic Association (Life Member), Bust Half Nut Club, Full Step Nickel Club, California Exonumist Society, Greater Orange County Coin Club, John Reich Collectors Society, Long Beach Coin Club, Numismatic Association of Southern California, Numismatic Literary Guild, Santa Ana Coin Club and the Society for the United States Commemorative Coins.

Gary is currently a CSNA Board Member and the Bourse Chairman/Coordinator for their shows. Other numismatic activities include service on the Golden State Coin Show Committee, Editor of SUSCC's *The Commemorative Trail*, ANA Exhibit Judge, past editor of the NASC Quarterly, and a recent appointment as ANA Regional Coordinator for Southern California. He is the current President of the Long Beach Coin Club. He is also planning to be more active as a numismatic speaker.

He produces and maintains several Web sites, including one for numismatics (NumisCAT) plus a special site for California Coin Shows.

Gary says "I agree with the idea that we should try to do what we can reasonably do to promote the numismatic hobby, especially supporting the organizations and clubs. Also important is the need to increase the hobby member base.

This includes reaching out to everyone from the youngest to the oldest, leaving no one out. We need to educate, direct and bring people into this hobby".

"MO" FITZGERALD
A 5867 Incumbent
GLENDORA

Mo Fitzgerald was born and lived in New York. In 1996 she met and married Dr. Tom Fitzgerald and they reside in Glendora, California.

Although she had not been active in the numismatic hobby, in a short six years Mo soon became caught up in the coin club activities at all levels. She became a member of many numismatic organizations, attended their meetings, and has participated in various activities to promote the hobby.

She is a member of the California State Numismatic Association, the Numismatic Association of Southern California, the Covina Coin Club and the American Numismatic Association.

Mo has exhibited her collections of elongated cents and Sherlock Holmes coins both locally and on a national level. Her exhibits won a number of awards including the "Peoples' Choice Award", an exhibit award at the ANA and awards at the Golden State Coin Show.

She has attended CSNA and ANA shows as well as the Golden State Coin Show, served on the banquet committee at the GSCS, awards committee for the NASC and exhibit co-chairman at the Covina Coin Show.

Mo Fitzgerald was named as a Director of the CSNA by President Ruth Phillips, to complete a term and serves as Club Representative to the NASC from the Covina Coin Club.

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!

DON FOSTER
R 4586 Incumbent
ARCADIA

Hi, my name is Don Foster. I am running for the Board of CSNA. I was born and raised in Southern California, graduated from Alhambra High School and Pasadena College and served in the Air Force four years. I retired from the South California Edison Co. I have been married to my wife, Terry, for 37 years. We have a son and daughter and four wonderful grandchildren.

I have been involved in the hobby for about 25 years. In that time I have served as President and Vice-President of the Pomona Valley and Upland Coin Clubs. Presently I am Vice President of the Numismatic Association of Southern California (NASC), and a current member of the CSNA Board of Directors and on the board for the Covina Coin Club. Also I serve on the Golden State Coin Show Committee and with my wife, we are in charge of the Exhibits for the GSCS. My years at So. California Edison Co. were in the art and graphics area. I have put that experience to use by designing several medallions and other art work for various numismatic organizations.
Thank you for your time.

WILL FRAGNER
LM 33-06
RANCHO ST MARGARITA

Will Fragner was born in Detroit, MI in 1957. His father and business partner is from Austria and his mother is from Slovakia. Will moved to California in 1967, first residing in

San Francisco. Subsequent moves were to South Pasadena, and then to Rancho Santa Margarita in 1993. He attended Catholic schools through the 6th grade finishing his education in public schools. An Economics major, Will graduated from UCLA in 1978.

He is actively involved in Saddleback Church (Christian), participating in the Singles & Mens Ministry as well as leading a weekly small group Bible study. Will is an avid golfer and played competitively in school.

A member of ANA, Life Member of CSNA, NASC and NCNA, Will is also a member of SIN, Michigan State, FUN, Vallejo, Central States, US Mexico Society, AINA, Cupertino, Livermore, Sacramento and Reno Coin Clubs.

He entered trade as a full time Foreign Coin dealer in 1978 and has been on the show circuit at most club and commercial shows. Will does 45+ shows a year in California, Arizona and Nevada. He has offered his show scheduling/calendar and contact information to all clubs, independent and commercial show promoters over many years so that they may better coordinate their individual show times so as not to conflict with each other.

Through his experiences as a veteran dealer, Will can bring a plethora of practical, tested, experience and knowledge to CSNA & provide feedback from a dealer perspective.

JAMES HUNT
LM 23-02 Incumbent
CHULA VISTA

Jim Hunt retired from the Governor's Office of Emergency Services following a career in the field of Emergency Management. He has been a collector since the age of 5. Jim collects everything but is most interested in coins of the United States. He and his wife Ellen enjoy exhibiting and the educational aspects of numismatics. Jim was recently invited by the Governor's Office and the State Librarian to make a presentation on behalf of California's numismatics at the California Commemorative State Quarter Design Press Conference in Sacramento.

Jim is a Life Member of CSNA, having joined in 1969. His past service to CSNA includes Board Member, Exhibit Chairman, Awards Chairman, Exhibit Judge, and Publicity Chairman for various conventions. He is currently a CSNA Board Member. Jim and Ellen , an Associate Member, served as Activities co-chairs on the CSNA committee which hosted the ANA Convention in Anaheim in 1995. They are exhibitors and sponsors for the award given to the best gold coin exhibit at the Golden State Show. Jim has been a speaker at the GSCS and was honored to make a presentation at CSNA's renowned Annual Educational Symposium.

Jim Hunt has been an ANA member since 1956. He has been a speaker at the ANA Numismatic Theater, an exhibitor and is a certified ANA judge. He has attended many ANA Conventions and Summer Conferences at Colorado Springs. Jim, along with Dr. Tom Fitzgerald, won the ANA World Series of Numismatics at the Atlanta Convention last year.

He has been active in many other numismatic organizations, both as a member and officer. He is the Past President and currently the Treasurer of the San Diego County Inter-Club Numismatic Council and is Treasurer of the San Diego Numismatic Society as well as a former President. Jim Hunt also holds membership in the Chula Vista Coin Club and the Society of Private and Pioneer Numismatics. Jim has been a speaker at coin clubs in San Diego and has been a General Chairman, Assistant General Chairman, Exhibit Chairman, Awards Chairman, Exhibit Judge and exhibitor at the annual COINARAMA. Jim was formerly the Recording Secretary for the East Bay Coin Club in Northern California and was President of the Solar Coin Club in San Diego.

ROY IWATA
R 4482
SEAL BEACH

I have collected coins for forty-five years. I started with Lincoln cents. Later I started a collection of Mercury dimes and Washington quarters. After graduating from the University of Hawaii in 1965, I moved to California and started to collect other types of U. S. coins. About 1985 I got interested in tokens, medals and other areas of numismatics. In 1976 I joined the American Numismatic Association and later joined CSNA and NASC. The first club I joined was the Fountain Valley Coin Club. Presently I am the treasurer of the Santa Ana Coin Club, Greater Orange County Coin Club and Tustin Coin Club; Secretary of the Long Beach Coin Club and Board Member of NASC. I am Past President of Long Beach Coin Club, Anaheim Coin Club, Santa Ana Coin Club, Orange Coast Coin Club and Orange County Coin Club. I am also a member of the Civil War Token Society, Society for US Commemorative Coins, CONECA and Full Step Nickel Club.

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In 1652, Massachusetts decided to solve its money problems by issuing its own coinage. The Massachusetts "New England" shilling was issued in three denominations—three pence, six pence and shilling---and were the first coins struck in the English North American Colonies.

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THROUGH THE NUMISMATIC GLASS:

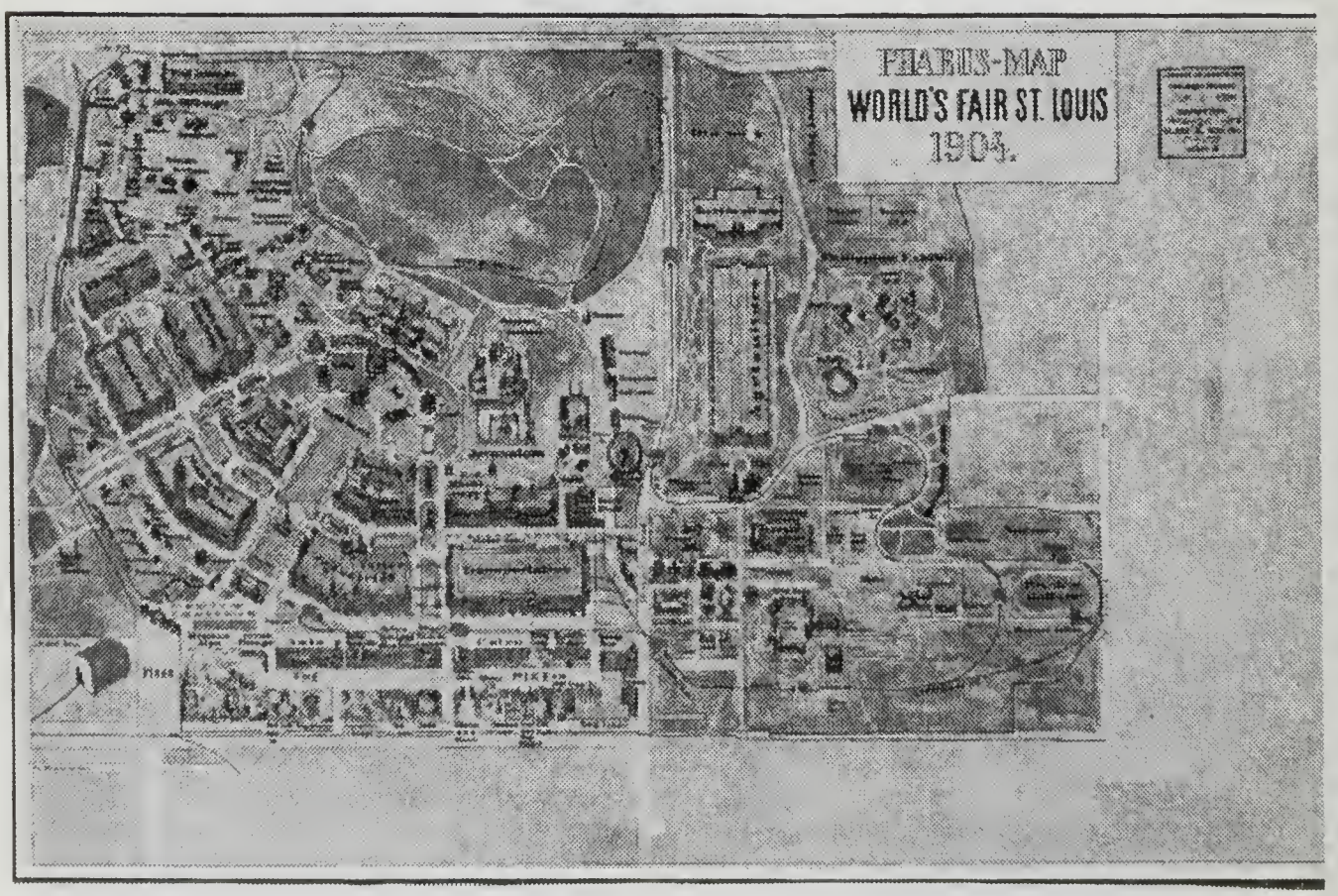
THE LOUISIANA PURCHASE

"A Story Stranger Than Fiction"

By Dr. THOMAS F. FITZGERALD

Meet Me In St. Louis!

Do you remember the delightful movie: "Meet Me in St. Louis" starring Judy Garland? The setting was St. Louis at the time of the worlds fair. The title song included the lines: "Meet me in St. Louie, meet me at the fair." The actual name of this fair was: "The Louisiana Purchase Exposition of 1904." It was billed as the greatest fair in history and played host to 20 million visitors from April 30th to December 1st, 1904. Those attending the fair witnessed the debut of air conditioning; ice-skating throughout the long, hot summer of St. Louis, and were able to speak by wireless telegraph to cities 1500 miles away. The marvelous show was organized to commemorate the centennial of the Louisiana Purchase, one of the strangest yet significant events in the history of the United States.



Think if you will of this story of a secret treaty, a commitment by diplomats representing the United States who were not authorized to make such a purchase, an acquisition that was believed to be unconstitutional by "Strict Constructionists" and all this under a President who was elected because he stood for a strict interpretation of the Constitution of the United States with limited federal powers.

The Story of the Louisiana Purchase

The strange tale began with the deadlocked election of 1801. Can you imagine the margin of victory was a slim vote in the Electoral College that finally elected Thomas Jefferson? Following the presidency of John Adams, the Federalists nominated him for a second term along with Charles Pinkney. The Democratic-Republican ticket presented Thomas Jefferson and Aaron Burr. Jefferson was the vice president under Adams. The election ended in an electoral tie. The count from the Electoral College was Jefferson and Burr with 73 votes each. After much fighting and 36 ballots, Jefferson was chosen President and Burr, Vice-President. Note, following this debacle, the 12th Amendment was added to our Constitution that provided separate ballots for president and vice president.

Jefferson was the first President of the United Sates to be inaugurated in Washington and to live in that city. In his inaugural address, President Jefferson stressed his belief of a Federal Government of "very limited powers." This is the same leader who accomplished the Louisiana Purchase, an act many believed to be unconstitutional, let alone a government with very limited powers.

The Secret Treaty

Shortly after his election in 1801, President Jefferson discovered that France and Spain had completed a secret treaty. As a result of this agreement, Spain had ceded Louisiana to France. Napoleon had hopes of building an empire in North America but his war with England and his need for finances to fight this war forced him to abandon this plan. Since gaining independence, the United States had sought free access to the Mississippi River to the Gulf of Mexico. Now Jefferson saw an opportunity to secure this waterway. The president instructed his minister to France, Robert R. Livingston, to negotiate either for a port at the mouth of the Mississippi, or failing this, for permanent trading rights in New Orleans.

In June 1803, James Monroe joined Livingston with an appropriation of 2 million dollars to buy New Orleans and West Florida. Secretly, Monroe was told he could go as high as 10 million dollars.

On April 11, 1803, the Americans were offered all of Louisiana for 15 million dollars. For approximately four cents per acre, the United States acquired about 828,000 square miles, doubling the size of the nation. Subsequent treaties defined the Louisiana Territory from Canada in the north to the Mississippi River in the East, to the Gulf of Mexico in the South with the Western Border running northwest through the middle of Montana. Yet, these ministers were never authorized to make this purchase nor to commit their government to spend 15 million dollars. Many "strict constructionists" believed this purchase was unconstitutional as the Constitution made no provisions for

the purchase of additional land. In addition, Jefferson had vowed to limit the powers of the Federal Government.

Defending his act in a letter to Senator John Beckenridge, the President wrote:

The Constitution has made no provision for our holding foreign territory, still less for incorporating foreign nations into our union. The Executive, in seizing the fugitive occurrence with so much advances the good of their country, have done an act beyond the constitution. The legislature, in casting behind them metaphysical subtleties, and risking themselves like faithful servants. must ratify and pay for it, and throw themselves on their country for doing for them unauthorized, what we know they would have done for themselves had they been in a situation to do it. It is a case of a guardian, investing the money of his ward in purchasing an important adjacent territory, and saying to him when of age, 'I did this for your good: I pretend to no right to bind you; you may disavow me and I trust to get out of the scrape as I can; I thought it my duty to risk myself for you.

The Louisiana Purchase Territories

What did the United Sates purchase for approximately four cents per acre? This acquisition, which doubled the size of the United States, included what today are thirteen states. Listed are the thirteen and the dates that they were admitted to the union. They are: Louisiana (1812), Missouri (1821), Arkansas (1836), Iowa (1846), Minnesota (1858), Kansas (1861), Nebraska (1867), Colorado (1876), North Dakota (889), South Dakota (1889), Montana (1889), Wyoming (1890) and Oklahoma (1907).

BRONZE PLAQUE FOR THE LOUISIANA PURCHASE EXPOSITION OF 1904
ARTIST :
ADOLPH ALEXANDER WEINMAN

LOUISIANA PURCHASE
OFFICIAL MEDAL Bronze 34mm
Editor Lund's Collection

Special Gold Coins to Finance the St. Louis Fair

In order to finance the exposition, the organizers turned to congress and requested it designate part of its $5 million appropriation through the coining and selling of commemorative gold dollars. The legislature passed the bill and it was signed into law by President McKinley on March 3, 1901. A total of 250,000 coins (125,000 of each type) plus 258 assay coins were struck in 1902 and 1903 at the Philadelphia Mint. Although some were produced in 1902, they all bear the date 1903, an apparent infraction of government rules that required the date on a coin to be the date of striking. Later, the mint melted 250 of the assay coins.

The one dollar gold coins were sold for three dollars each and were kept as mementos, as it had been 16 years since the government had minted any gold dollars. In spite of gimmicks and other inducements, sales were poor, with only 35,000 coins being sold. In 1914, the mint melted 215,000 coins.

The Coin's Designs

The original plan was for a coin that depicted President Thomas Jefferson. However, after President McKinley was assassinated at another expo six months later, the plan was changed so that one of the varieties would carry his likeness. Mint engraver Charles E. Barber, who was assisted by George T. Morgan, designed the coins. The obverse of the Thomas Jefferson variety bears his portrait facing left as seen on an earlier Indian Peace Medal. The obverse of the McKinley type shows a portrait bust of this president also facing left. His presidential medal served as a model. Both types bear the inscription:

"UNITED STATES OF AMERICA."

The reverse is the same for both types. Seen are the anniversary dates 1803-1903 separated from "ONE DOLLAR" by part of an olive branch. Around the circumference is: "LOUISIANA EXPOSITION SAINT LOUIS."

Because there were efforts to sell these coins in 1903 by mounting them in pendants, etc., one should be careful to avoid coins that have been polished or with deposits of solder used to mount them.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Fair was the birthplace of several culinary institutions, hotdogs, ice cream cones and iced tea.

It also saw the popularization of a "health drink " known as Dr. Pepper and a "health food" called peanut butter.

Fairgoers were also introduced to a new confection called "fairy floss" now known as cotton candy

The Official medals portrait of Jefferson, is copied from John Reich's Indian Peace Medal which was then reported to be in the Mint Cabinet Collection.

17,500 Gold coins were minted. Some proofs exist

The 1904 Olympics were held as part of the Exposition

The Palace of Liberal Arts housed an exhibit of the British Mints Coin Collection

The U. S. Customs office collected half a million dollars in duties on the foreign goods sold in the Palace of Manufacturers

Scott Joplin's Ragtime was the music of the Fair

Today a $1 Gold Coin that cost $3 in 10-4 sells for about $200 in average condition

The 1903 Louisiana Purchase Exposition Dollars were the first souvenir Gold Coins authorized by Congress

Palace of Transportation depicted on a bronze souvenir tray (approx 4 ¼ X 3 ½") Editor Lund's Collection

Twenty million people attended from all over the world and many of their souvenirs are still around today, in basements, attics and memory chests waiting to be discovered by thousands of collectors

ETHEL LENHERT

1922— 2002

Ethel Mary Lenhert was born in Bowmensdale, Pennsylvania on January 23, 1922. She moved to California in 1949 and lived with her husband Marlin in Upland until she suffered a stroke in the year 2000. She moved to Sacramento in order to be with her niece who provided much-needed care. Meanwhile, Marlin sold their home and moved their household in order to live with her. Although talking and writing were difficult for her, she never stopped keeping in touch with her many friends and attended recent CSNA gatherings in Fresno and Concord. She passed away as a result of another stroke, in Sacramento, on July 27, 2002.

Ethel was very talented and delighted in sharing her gifts with her many friends. She was famous for her cakes and pies, a gracious cook who opened her home each year for the Covina Coin Club's annual Christmas Dinner, and became famous as the chairman of Southern California numismatic banquets.

She had many loves. After her love for her husband Marlin, Ethel loved her beautiful German Shepherds. They were like her children. She loved Snoopy and all the characters of the comic strip. Who will ever forget Charlie Brown in his flying gear atop her Upland home. The Lenherts were avid sports fans, particularly the Los Angeles Rams before they deserted California for St. Louis.

When she retired as executive secretary from the Pomona Division of General Dynamics, Ethel became very busy with community and numismatic activities.

Ethel Lenhert was a numismatist in the true sense of the word. She won literary awards for her articles and she authored a number of Coin Club Bulletins including those of the Covina Coin Club and the Upland Coin Club. She was a champion exhibitor. Her displays of her collections of mission medals, currency and coins garnered numerous Best-of-Show awards at local coin club shows, as well as the NASC, CSNA and Golden State Coin Shows. Ethel gave talks at various club meetings including those on her favorite subjects, Thomas Jefferson and the California Missions.

It was through her services to the hobby for various state regional and local coin clubs where she excelled. If there was a job to be done, one could depend on Ethel to do it. She served in various offices including president of the Upland Coin Club, the Covina Coin Club, the San Bernardino County Coin Club and several others.

Ethel became Secretary for the CSNA in 1981, when corresponding and recording secretary jobs were the responsibility on one person. Later, when the job became too much for any one person, Ethel became "Corresponding Secretary" until her illness prevented her from continuing in this office.

Ethel Lenhert was on several Upland Coin Club committees that hosted CSNA shows and is credited with designing one of the semi-annual convention medals. She served as Luncheon Chairman for the annual CSNA Educational Symposium until 2000. Ethel was a member of the CSNA Committee to host

the ANA 105th Anniversary Convention held in Anaheim in August, 1995. She was the banquet Chairman for this convention and hosted one of the grandest banquets in the long history of the ANA. Ethel was recognized by the hobby for her outstanding services. Among her awards were the Walter Menegatti Award from the Covina Coin Club; the medal of merit, the CSNA's highest honor, and in 1989, Krause Publications of Wisconsin named her "Numismatic Ambassador".

All who knew her will miss her very much. It is difficult to imagine future CSNA Conventions without Ethel Lenhert. She gave so much of herself to the benefit of the hobby. She was a good and dear friend to so many and we are not able to replace her. Our condolences to her husband Marlin and to her family. We are grateful she was a part of our lives and she lives on in our memories.

CALCOIN NEWS thanks Dr. Tom Fitzgerald for this memorial.

DID YOU KNOW?

A $20 bill can form a memorial to September 11, 2001.

Fold an old style bill in half so that you can see the top half of the reverse side.

Fold the left half away from you.

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Flip the bill over to see the World Trade Center.

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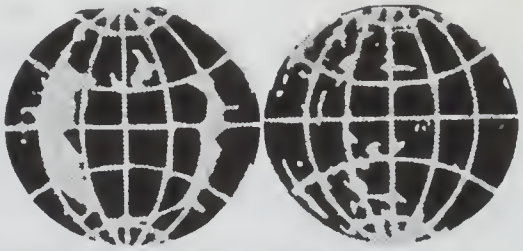

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REPORT ON THE 111th CSNA CONVENTION & 13TH GOLDEN STATE COIN SHOW

The weather was pleasant, the parking lot was full and the 111th CSNA Convention and Golden State Coin Show was a huge success! Three cheers for Kay Lenker, General Chairman/Show Treasurer and her committee.

The Bourse was sold out and there were some new faces on the floor. Gary Beedon handled the advertising and the bourse.

The Committee arrived Friday, August 23 at noon and set everything up. The dealers began arriving Friday evening and were treated to a Pizza Supper. Dorothy Baber and Ginny Bourke were in charge of "Hospitality". G. Lee Kuntz handled security, Don Foster prepared signs, Roy Iwata was in charge of the Patron Program and Phil Iversen was in charge of proprty.

Everything was in place as NASC and CSNA greeted Dealers Saturday morning. Mary Beedon headed the Registration Desk assisted by several others. Exhibitors began arriving early and setting up educational displays with Don and Terry Foster in charge of Exhibits & Awards, and the CSNA held an open Board Meeting beginning at 8:30AM.

The show opened to the public and traffic was steady as collectors and dealers interacted in the bourse room. Of special interest was the COINS FOR KIDS table staffed by Nancee and David Nichols. This area was open both Saturday and Sunday, all day, and provided a variety of activities for youngsters. There was a steady stream of future collectors learning about the fun and adventure of coin collecting.

The California Exonumist Society (CES) met at 2PM. President Michael Stanley conducted a brief meeting and then introduced featured speaker Phil Iversen who shared information on "Ringling Brothers Circus". Phil used slides and actual items from his collection to introduce those in attendance to the many items that can be collected from the circus.

An Educational Forum, arranged by Tom Fitzgerald, was held later in the afternoon. Joel Anderson's topic was "Bride Price". Joel displayed an interesting array of items used to purchase a wife in various tribes and cultures.

A delightful pool-side banquet was held at the convention hotel, The Holiday Inn, Monrovia. Joyce Kuntz, Banquet Chair, introduced the Master of Ceremonies, Ruthann Bretell of the American Numismatic Association. Don Foster led the pledge of allegiance and Nona Moore gave the Invocation. Ruthann delighted the diners with her "Tales of Ruthann and the ANA" as she recounted some funny and interesting experiences at various ANA Conventions.

Ruth Phillips, CSNA President, recognized CSNA Past Presidents in attendance and also presented a medal set to show coordinator, Kay Lenker.

Phil Iversen recognized past NASC Presidents present at 47th Convention for that group. NASC issued a convention medal honoring the theme "Discover New Worlds" and featuring a Viking stepping ashore from his boat.

Joyce Kuntz presented a medal set to the designer, Alex Shagin, of the 111th Convention medal commemorating the Pony Express.

Don Foster emceed the awards presentations which turned out to be a Bill Grant night. Bill won three eagle awards for his exhibit on aviation pioneer Charles Lindburgh.

Dorothy Baber made a special presentation as Gary Beedon was made a Krause Numismatic Ambassador.

Sunday was just as busy as organizations continued their meetings and the bourse room continued to be a-buzz with collectors.

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Michael S. Turrini

Ruth Phillips & Joyce Kuntz

G. Lee Kuntz & Michael S. Turrini at The CSNA Table

Joyce Kuntz stands beside the memorial Table honoring Ethel M. Lenhert

Mary Beedon, Ruthann Bretell and Ginny Bourke greet those arriving

Michael Stanley judges exhibits

Coins for Kids

Nancee and David Nichols

Phil Iversen displays a route book issued
By Ringling Brothers Circus

Joel Anderson is ready to discuss
a"Bride Price" with his "money"

Bourse Floor Scene

CSNA Members, Lila & Joel
Anderson visit with CALCOIN NEWS
Editor, Theresa Lund

Pool-side Banquet

Master of Ceremonies
Ruthann Bretell, ANA

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EXHIBIT WINNERS

There were twelve competitive exhibits with twenty-seven cases used in seven categories. This report prepared by Don & Terry Foster.

CATEGORY A: U. S. COINS
Ron Miller Memorial Award
Sponsor: David Lange

FIRST PLACE:
A Bad "Error" Day
Bill Nash

SECOND PLACE:
Lincoln's Common Cents
Helena Desens

CATEGORY B: U. S. COMMEMORATIVE COINS
Sponsor: Gary & Mary Beedon

FIRST PLACE:
1926 Sesquicentennial Coins
Roy Iwata

CATEGORY D: MODERN FOREIGN (1500 TO DATE)
Sponsor: John Lenker Memorial

FIRST PLACE:
The New Euro Coins
Jim Kingwell

SECOND PLACE:
The Coinage of the Second Empire of France
Michael E. Ontko

THIRD PLACE:
Pillar Coinage of Latin America 1732-1772
Michael E. Ontko

CATEGORY F: GOLD (U. S. & FOREIGN)
Sponsor: Jim & Ellen Hunt

FIRST PLACE:
A Partial Type Set of the Old Coins of the Republic of Mexico
Michael E. Ontko

CATEGORY G: MEDALS
Sponsor: Joyce & G. Lee Kuntz

FIRST PLACE:
Medal Honoring Aviation Pioneer Charles A. Lindbergh
William Grant

SECOND PLACE:
The San Gabriel Dam Medal
Don Collins

THIRD PLACE:
All Aboard-Trains on Coins & Medals
Martin Miller

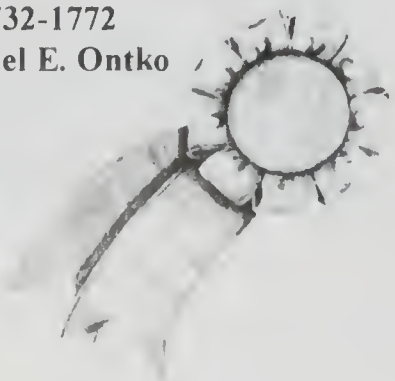
CATEGORY I: MISCELLANEOUS
Sponsor: Harold Katzman

FIRST PLACE:
Wife Buying Money-Bride Price
Kay Edgerton Lenker

SECOND PLACE:
Betty Boop & Big Daddy Collect Casino Chips
Henry G. Garrett

BEST OF EXONUMIA (CATEGORY G & I):
Sponsor: C. E. S.
Medal Honoring Aviation Pioneer Charles A. Lindbergh
William Grant

BEST OF SHOW:
Sponsor N. A. S. C.
Medal Honoring Aviation Pioneer Charles A. Lindbergh
William Grant



PEOPLE'S CHOICE
Sponsor: Murray Singer
A BAD "ERROR" DAY
Bill Nash

Ruth Phillips, CSNA President

Bill Grant & Michael Stanley
Eagle 1

Joyce Kuntz and Alex Shagin

Bill Grant & Phil Iverson
Eagle 2

Ruth Phillips and Kay Lenker

Bill Grant & G. Lee Kuntz
Eagle 3

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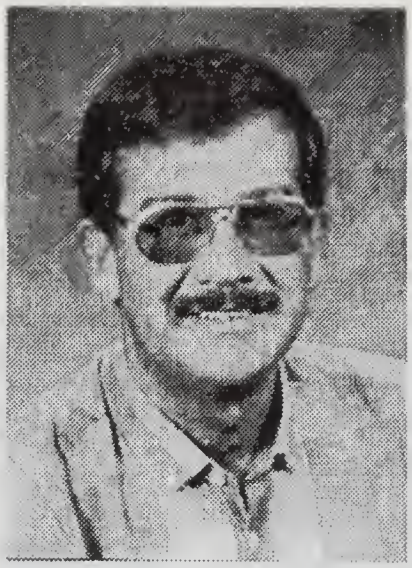

Hello! Your Assistant Editor traveled this past July and August to both the Canadian Numismatic Association (CNA) Convention in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada and the American Numismatic Association (ANA) Convention in the "Big Apple", New York City. Met with fellow CSNA folks, JOYCE & LEE KUNTZ, LEE GONG, MIKE STANLEY, KAY LENKER and DOROTHY BABER at that convention.

CUPERTINO COIN CLUB heard CCC Vice President JIM MENSCH speak on "Coin Show Exhibits" in May. His advice included "Good information, clear, concise text and good eye-appeal are essential to making a good display". Editor STACY OOMS noted in *The Coin Press* that "Jim's talk was interesting, informative and fun. Hopefully, we can all take his advice to heart and look forward to new and exciting exhibits from CCC members". Stacy, assisted by ALAN GUINN has introduced a new format and lively coverage in the monthly newsletter. In an interview in the June issue, well-known coin hobbyist and dealer, KEN BARR, said "The best part of numismatics is not the coins: it is the friends that you make". How true!

DELTA COIN CLUB OF CALIFORNIA held its Annual Picnic last July 27 at Lodi's Micke's Grove Park. As usual, there was lots of good food, fun and relaxation. The weather cooperated and there was a nice breeze under the covered area. The Egg-Toss got the participants what seemed like a mile apart before it was finally won by the NILES and KENDRICK Team. Would you believe that ILEEN LINDSKOG missed the Pennies-In-The-Jar count by nine cents! The actual count was 666 and Ileen's guess was 675. How about that! The games of Bingo were called by MICHAEL S. TURRINI and the Chefs were SYD KASS, BILL HORNING and LOIS ENZMINGER.

DIABLO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY held its Annual Donation Drawing in June and earned a record $430.00 for the group. Members welcomed Knucklehead-The-Clown at their annual picnic last July. The event was held at the home of SCOTT and RUTH-ANN JACKSON. TOFER PENTACOFF has left for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). Good Luck Tofer!

FAIRFIELD COIN CLUB has been eating and listening all summer! In May the group held their Annual Pot Luck dinner and there was a Hot-Dog Night in June. GERALD DOHERTY spoke about "My Paper Money Hobby" in July and in August, MIKE STANLEY and STAN TURRINI presented a program on "Adventures at CNA and ANA Conventions".

FREMONT COIN CLUB held a Barbecue Party in June. A time of fun. eats, and coins all mixed together. Members brought great salads, beans, hot dishes, cakes, pies, and drinks. ROGER LYLES put the chicken and hamburgers on the grill and everyone ate their fill! Among the Show 'n Tells at this gathering was GARY ACQUISTAPACE, who made a Nevada Tour, beginning in Reno and ending in Las Vegas, and rounded up sixty-three new Casino Chips. Some were limited editions.

FRESNO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY newsletter editor, RANDY CLIFTON, reports that member RUTH PHILLIPS is turning a room in her home into a reference library of numismatic materials. Randy says the "room is bulging at the walls with numismatic information". This room houses the CSNA Library. Ruth doubles as CSNA President and Librarian. She also serves as the FNS Coin Show Chairperson and once stored the Society's property too!. Recent FNS meetings included a Mini-Bourse Night (June) and a RedBook Quiz (July).

GATEWAY COIN CLUB OF MERCED COUNTY heard STAN TURRINI speak at their July meeting on "What is a Collection?. This was a thought provoking review on the meaning of 'collection' with suggestions on how one might improve. ANN and CHRIS YONAN, both respected hobbyists and collectors, provided hospitality for your Assistant Editor, and their fellowship is acknowledged. Thank You!

LIBERTY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY has been busy! KEN BARR shared "World War II Memorabilia" (June); MARK W. CLARK spoke on "Latin American Coins" (July) and BOB SATHER presented "Norse-American Memorabilia" (August). Also in August, STU DENTON began displaying some of his vast collection of mechanical coin banks. His collection is quite extensive and he has agreed to bring a couple of banks to each meeting until the end of 2002.

LIVERMORE VALLEY COIN CLUB's President STEVEN KRAMER recently said "I want you to know that I will be dieting for the rest of the summer". He made this statement following the Club's Annual Picnic held June 22. "The appetizers served before the main dinner could have fed us all, but somehow we all had room enough for the chicken and steaks that were served. Then we took a short break and proceeded to have dessert"! Members heard MIKE STANLEY and STAN TURRINI speak at their July meeting. The talk "Enhancing Your Numismatic Enjoyment" was an outstanding, informative talk giving a multitude of collecting counsel.

PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY has had a well rounded cycle of speakers. DR. PAUL HOLTZMAN (Thomas Jefferson), PHIL NORDIN (Philippine Numismatics) and KEN BARR (Numismatic Potpourri) have addressed this august group recently.

June is always reserved for the Society's Annual Banquet. A historic note published in the PCNS June 2002 bulletin: "The Thirty-Third Annual Banquet was held in June 1948, at the El Jardin Restaurant on California Street in downtown San Francisco. The charge of $3.50 included tax, tip, wine and ladies corsages. Wow!

PENINSULA COIN CLUB heard an enthusiastic, dedicated team, MIKE STANLEY & STAN TURRINI on June 10. The duo presented their program "Enhancing Your Numismatic Enjoyment". The PCC really appreciated the joint efforts of these dedicated numismatists and their willingness to travel to speak at their meeting. STAN TURRINI returned in August for a solo presentation titled "Counting Us".

REDWOOD EMPIRE COIN CLUB heard STAN TURRINI address the members at the May meeting on "Enhancing Your Numismatic Enjoyment". Building on his thirty years of active involvement in organized numismatics, he advocated not "just to coin collect; but to the bigger picture including research and participation:. Stan suggested these add-ons to enhance one's enjoyment: sticker coins, correspondence, study and learning, join other coin organizations, collect birth year dated coins, build a library and "keep a box". The latter means keeping all your coin magazines and newspapers. Give these to others to share and to spread the enjoyment and knowledge. For example, a full year of *Coin World* was brought to a Show and were gone within three hours of the Show's opening.

SAN FRANCISCO COIN CLUB remains active, striving to rebuild its attendance and activities. MIKE STANLEY and STAN TURRINI attended the Club's July 23 meeting and presented some plans and program ideas for the remainder of 2002. It is hoped these might encourage attendance and sustain the club.

SAN JOSE COIN CLUB has named its monthly newsletter, *Todo Dinero,* which translates, 'all about money'. This Spanish name was the initial title for the Club when founded in 1947. The name was changed to San Jose Coin Club in 1950. This new name, or old name used differently, was proposed by Editor RAY JOHNSON, who urged that "it was a shame to allow the original name of our Club to be lost and almost forgotten". The SJCC Board of Directors concurred. The Club heard HERB MILES speak on "Tokens and Medals of the Ku Klux Klan" at the June meeting. Herb, who specializes in several numismatic areas and African-American memorabilia, delivered presentation. He used a slide program with all of the photographed items available, for up-close examination. His talk generated so much interest that he was still answering questions after the close of the meeting. "Having a speaker of Herb's caliber, attracted one of the largest attendance that we have had in a long time. We look forward to having Herb back...real soon."

SOLANO SILVER ROUND CLUB would like to congratulate member CHUCK LUCE who submitted the winning design for the Token and Medals Society (TAMS) 2002 Assemblage Medal. Speaking of medals, this Club is always interested in ideas and designs for silver rounds and would welcome suggestions from others. June 2003 will mark the SSRC's 20th Anniversary. Former,

lost, or interested silver enthusiasts are urged to contact the club at P O Box 3518, Fairfield, CA 94533-0518. E-mails may be sent to EMPERORI@juno.com.

VALLEJO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY celebrated with its neighbor, The Fairfield Coin Club, and held their Annual Picnic on the Fourth of July. Held at the Napa County Airport Hangar #75, the site had no ants, no crowds, plenty of shade and lots of quiet. JOE SIROIS did the cooking and HARRY DAVIS and IRENE CARRILLO along with DR. ROD BAKER kept the food coming and needs met. STEWART HUCKABY came from San Antonio, Texas to enjoy the picnic. The VNS is proud to report that ANTHONY J. SWIATEK, who holds Honorary Membership #4, was recently awarded the ANA's highest and most esteemed honor, its Farren Zerbe Memorial Award. LEE GONG, MIKE STANLEY and STAN TURRINI, all VNS Life Members, attended the presentation in New York City. The August VNS meeting featured MIKE STANLEY and STAN TURRINI speaking about "Adventures at CAN and ANA Conventions".

VISALIA COIN CLUB heard CSNA President and VCC Secretary RUTH PHILLIPS speak on "Alternative Collectibles: Exonumia". "neophytes to the hobby do not always realize that such things as PNCs, love tokens, encased coins, elongated coins, orders and decorations, transportation tokens and so on, are all included in our hobby. In my long association in our hobby, I have found that the wives of coin hobbyists often chose one of these alternatives to collect while their husbands are looking for coins and currency. Every coin hobbyist becomes an exonumist in some way, sooner or later".

DID YOU KNOW?

A sharp increase in the price of copper in 1973 led to legislation calling for the cent to be made of aluminum. A small number of pattern pieces were made for the congressional committees who were to debate the proposal. Early in 1974, the Philadelphia Mint struck more than 1.5 million as part of a production test run. Enabling legislation was never passed so there were no aluminum cents for general circulation. Most of the test coins were melted. However, one turned up in 2001 and a handful of specimens have been reported.

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THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

May 15, 2002
Through
August 26, 2002

Hello everybody! I hope you all had a great summer, both personally and professionally, and of course numismatically. With the way the stock and equity markets have been performing this year, it tends to make our investment in coins look all the more astute these days, don't you think?

Thanks to the time, effort, and remarkable computer expertise of CSNA member Stephen Huston , there's exciting news here in the Mailing List Department. Without going into all the boring details, I can sum things up by saying: "Bring on the next dues billing!" Stephen has tremendously streamlined the billing process with some key updates to the CSNA database management program, and I can't wait to try them out!

As is usual for this time of year, summer was slow in all correspondence and membership areas. But I am pleased to say that we are able to welcome seven new members to our association. We also extend a special welcome to a long-lost Life Member, Charles Burch, who is now living in Kremming. Colorado. Welcome back, Charles!

Second dues notices went out in early August to the 103 CSNA members who were reported as dropped from the membership in the last issue of CALCOIN NEWS, and we will hopefully get many of them back by the time I report to you in the next issue.

Thanks once again for all of your continued notes, calls and e-mails. They are most helpful and appreciated. *Dennis*

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R-5966	NORDIN, SARAH Vallejo, CA
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R-3516	KATZMAN, Harold Tustin, CA
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New Members:	7
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SOUTH OF THE TEHACHAPIS

By Kay Edgerton Lenker,
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The CALIFORNIA EXONUMIST SOCIETY met at the Golden State Coin Show where NASC President Phil Iversen spoke on exonumia connected to P. T. Barnum-Ringling Brothers Circus. The Society also sponsors exonumia speakers for CSNA Educational Symposia. On Saturday, October 5th at the 3rd annual CSNA Northern Symposium, there will be two speakers on exonumia. Jerry Schimmel will discuss "Food Stamp Change" and "Sales Tax Tokens". Ken Hallenbeck will speak on "Lesher Dollars" on the same program.

CHULA VISTA COIN CLUB recently enjoyed a delicious potluck at their August meeting. The club announces upcoming events: A white-elephant sale in November with the proceeds to provide prizes for the December meeting. The December gathering will feature "Finger Food" with no business meeting.

COVINA COIN CLUB heard ALEX SHAGIN speak on "Medals" at their June meeting. Vice-President MARTIN MILLER presented a program "Coins of Many Shapes and Sizes" at a recent meeting. Member BILL NASH has been selected as the winner of the ANA National Coin Week Award. He received a plaque and a full scholarship to attend the 2003 ANA summer seminar in Colorado Springs.

FONTANA UNITED NUMISMATISTS heard DON McCue in April. His program was on the "Lincoln Shrine" updating everyone on the past two years. In May there was a 50/50 auction with Del Rosa Stamp and Coin featuring 100 lots. The July program was "Other Hobbies Night" with a nice assortment of displays. August featured mini Super Auction with 100 lots.

GREATER ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB heard LES WATSON give a discussion on "Branch Mint Coinage" in June. Les had slides and brought examples of coins from all our mints. July was the Annual Bourse Night and there were eleven tables set up. Many attendees said that they bought as much as they sold. The August speaker was JEFF STAHL presenting a program on "Mexican Paper Money".

HEARTLAND COIN CLUB's KEN STEMPIEN won the 2001 off metal set of Coinarama medals. PAUL OLSEN reminded members to be very wary of selling items via Internet as there are a lot of fraudulent Visa and other cards being used to pay for items. The May meeting marked the 40th birthday of the club and members enjoyed ice cream

and cake served by JOYCE DARNELL. The day was dreary for the show on May 19th and attendance was under 100. To avoid the November holidays and the Mother Goose Parade, the next show will be October 13.

HEMET NUMISMATISTS featured "Other Hobbies" in June. July was the club's 29th anniversary with a catered luncheon at DOT WILLIAMS home. The Club is holding s membership drive with DON DOSKOCIL in the lead. MARY MORROW is closing in fast. The winner will receive a five peso gold coin at the December meeting.

The LITTON COIN CLUB's June program was a video entitled "Secrets of the U. S. Mint" that was featured on the Discovery Channel. In July the all members were asked to bring something of interest related to the topic "Focus on Gold". A "Coin Grading Clinic" conducted by PHIL IVERSEN was held in August. The club has settled in a new meeting place in Building 10.

LONG BEACH COIN CLUB heard WALTER OSTROMECKI speak on the "Weakest Link: The State Quarters Version" at their June meeting. JERRY and MARY YAHALOM gave a program on "California Memorabilia" in July. Members staff a table at the Long Beach Expo answering queries and directing those interested to local clubs..

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY COIN CLUB heard RANDY BRIGGS speak on the "Elephant Coins of George III" in May. Randy is twice past president of the club and has been collecting the interesting 1802-1820 Ceylon series for years. KEVIN AKIN, club president, spoke on "Sacajawea's Cousins" in June.

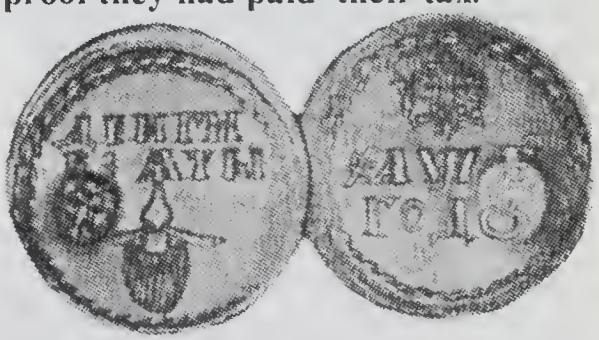
SAN DIEGO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY, INC had a picnic in June. They met in the park and closed out the evening with "Other Hobbies" and a birthday cake supplied by out of town member PAUL WHITNAH. In July, GINNY BOURKE discussed "Augustin Iturbide" the self proclaimed Emperor of Mexico. He had many alliances and wanted Mexico free from Spain. He moved to Europe in 1823.

UPLAND COIN CLUB heard BILL GRANT give his program the "Other Side of Lindbergh" in May. June was "Show & Tell". MARTIN MILLER spoke in July on an undisclosed topic.

The WHITTIER COIN CLUB saw a video titled "Errors and Varieties" narrated by DON BOSER in June. Members brought a coin or collection in July for "Show Me The Money". August featured a video entitled "The Elgin Commemorative Half Dollar and the Pioneer Memorial" with ROBERT Van Ryzin.

DID YOU KNOW?

Tokens such as the one pictured below were issued to individuals as proof they had paid their tax.



Peter, the Great, Czar of Russia, issued this silver "beard" token in 1705 as part of his modernization program. Peter had noted in his travels in Western Europe that beards had gone out of fashion, so he decided that Russian nobles were to pay a tax if they wore a beard. The beard had become a popular symbol of anti-western conservatism in Russia.

YOUTH CORNER:

WOW! CAMERON KIEFER--- current Vice-President of the VISALIA COIN CLUB and a Youth Numismatist (YN) was honored this past August (2002) by the American Numismatic Association (ANA) with its esteemed YOUNG NUMISMATIST OF THE YEAR AWARD. He received a 1903 Ten Dollar Eagle, a plaque and a Life Membership in the ANA. Unfortunately Cameron was unable to attend this years ANA Convention in New York City where the presentation was made.

He did spend two weeks enjoying the Annual Summer Seminar of the ANA in Colorado Springs, Colorado, in July. Cameron enrolled in and to quote him, "learned a lot" from courses in Museum Professional and Advanced Coin Grading classes. He returned "all smiles".

Cameron also edits and publishes the monthly newsletter for the Franklin Collectors Club, a national group of Franklin Half Dollar enthusiasts. He is a frequent author of articles for CALCOIN NEWS.

According to CSNA President Ruth M. Phillips, "He is a young coin hobbyist who is going places, mark my words". Congratulations, Cameron, our hobby can now be passed into good hands! Best Wishes!

Speaking of Youth Numismatists, I want to commend STACEY OOMS, who edits the monthly COIN PRESS for the CUPERTINO COIN CLUB and recently added a feature of interviews with CCC members. She has included the Club's younger members and in the June 2002 issue featured SPENCER MORGAN, complete with photograph. Spencer provided some sage advice to coin hobbyists of all ages: ""ook for quality, not quantity. Doo you research so you do not get taken to the cleaners. Buy what you like instead of what may be popular at the time, fads die. Enjoy it as a hobby". Thanks Stacey and Spencer.

Last April 5, 2002, I had the privilege of presenting an award honoring an outstanding Adult Advisor. ANNA SUYEYOSHI, of the REDWOOD EMPIRE COIN CLUB. The RECC awarded Anna an engraved marble coaster, enrolling her in the esteemed "Numismatic Coasters". Anna assists LEE H. GONG with the Youth Activities of the local Santa Rosa club, both at monthly meetings and the RECC annual Coin Show. She displays patience, understanding, kindness, sincerity, enthusiasm and enjoyment.

I would like to learn of others, Youth Numismatists and Adult Advisors, who deserve credit and to share reports of their activities. Please write to Michael S. Turrini at P. O. Box 4104, Vallejo, CA. 94590-0410 or e-mail to EMPERORI@juno.com. (Note: This is my home e-mail, which is not read daily and is case sensitive.

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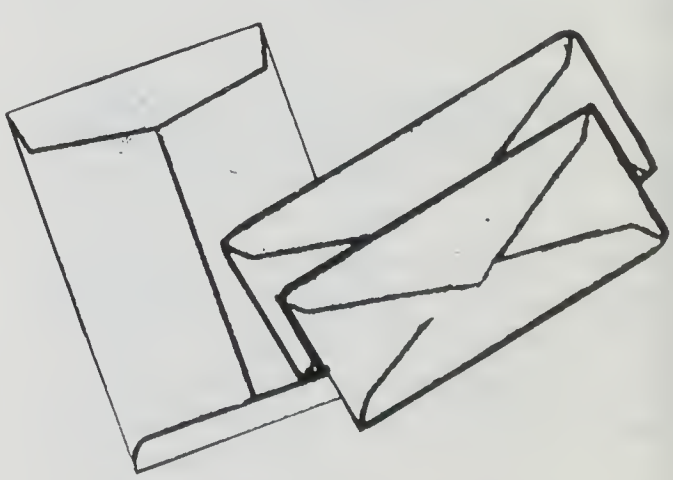

LIBERTY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY OFFERS 2002 MEDAL COMMEMORATING THE PAN PACIFIC OVERFAIR RAILWAY

This medal is available in both silver and oxidized (antique) bronze. The reverse of the medal features the profile of the Overfair Locomotives used to pull the trains at the Pan Pacific International Exposition in 1915 in San Francisco. These trains , used to move fairgoers, operated on a 21/2 mile line and utilized a 19 inch gauge track. The outer circle on the medal identifies the 1915 PPIE and the 45 years that LNS has been a coin club. The obverse features the Society's Liberty Bell logo.

The .999 fine silver version has a mintage of 45 and are individually numbered on the outer rim. These are for sale at $23.25 post paid. The oxidized bronze medals have a mintage of 60, are not numbered and cost $6.25 each post paid. All medals are 39 mm in diameter. This is the 16th issue in the annual Liberty Numismatic Society series and have been produced by Golden State Mint of San Bernardino. Order from LNS, P. O. Box 300, Millbrae, CA, 94030.

ANA REPORT

By Dr. Thomas F Fitzgerald,
Representative

On July 30th, the night before the ANA Anniversary Convention opened in New York, Sotheby's and Stacks jointly auctioned the 1933 $20 double eagle. A standing-room only crowd jammed into Sotheby's east side New York auction room and witnessed the winning bid of $6.6 million from an anonymous bidder over a telephone. Added to the highest bid was a 15% buyer's premium and $20, the face value of the coin, making the total cost $7,590,020, the highest priced coin in auction history.

One of the most important events at the New York ANA Convention was the announcement that Chris Cipoletti has been appointed next executive director of the American Numismatic Association. He will take over for Ed Rochette, who will retire for the second time next July 31, 2003. Mr. Cipoletti is the current ANA General Counsel and a Colorado Springs Attorney. He is very knowledgeable about the organization and its membership activities and needs along with its policies and procedures.

Although the official attendance will not likely top 9,000, this was not unexpected since there is less traveling and attending a show in New York may be quite expensive. The auction house and bourse dealers did report a brisk business and the convention went smoothly without any major problems. Very active at the show were CSNA members Dorothy Baber, Kay Lenker, Michael "Steamer" Stanley and Joyce and Lee Kuntz.

The highlight of the banquet was the presentation of the Farran Zerbe Award, the highest award to be conferred by the ANA. As reported in the previous issue of CALCOIN NEWS, this award went to Anthony Swiatek, a member of the CSNA and a frequent lecturer at CSNA's annual symposiums. On behalf of the CSNA, this writer offers his congratulations to Anthony Siatek, a true friend and one who so deserves this recognition.

To the great joy and with wishes for many years of happiness, came the announcement that the editor of "The Numismatist", Barbara Gregory and the ANA Publicity Director, Stephen Bobbitt, will soon be married.

Next summer's Anniversary Convention will be held in August in Baltimore, Maryland.

DID YOU KNOW?

With the Fall of the Western Roman Empire and the conquest of Spain, first by the Vandals and then by the Visigoths, coinage virtually ceased.

The coins that were produced tended to imitate the old Roman coinage system and were based on the smaller denominations of gold (i. e., the semissis and tremissus or ½ and 1/3 of the solidus).

OR

The Ashanti tribe of the Gold Coast, Western Africa, created an amazing array of small statuettes in bronze that were produced to specific weight standards and used for weighing out gold for trade. The objects included human figures, animals, and ceremonial objects.

EURO CURRENCY

Just a little more than a year ago, the new high-tech euro currency was unveiled in Frankfurt, Germany, by the European Central Bank. The ECB governs monetary policy for the 12 euro nations and had purposely kept the notes under wraps so counterfeiters would have as little time as possible to detect security features before the scheduled circulation date of January 1, 2002.

The seven state-of-the-art notes were said to be the most counterfeit proof in the world. The bills feature watermarks and security threads (a dark line visible when held up to the light). Tilting the bill reveals a hologram printed on a foil stripe at the edge of the smaller bills (5, 10 & 20). Another stripe near the center can be seen only under very bright light.

The larger bills (50, 100, 200 and 500) have a foil patch with a hologram of the bank note and its value. There is also ink on the numerals that changes color as the bills move in light.

There are other features too, different sizes and large easy to read, raised numbers. These were added to make life easier for the user, especially the blind and the visually impaired.

The unveiling kicked off the final stage of an information campaign that created a sense of confidence and boosted acceptance of the new money. TV commercials and newspaper ads taught people about the new currency in the eleven languages used in the euro zone and in twenty-three other languages in a campaign outside the zone.

Below: The new Euro notes introduced as legal tender in 12 European countries January 1.

CERTIFICATION IS RAISING THE VISIBILITY OF MORGAN VARITIES

PART TWO OF TWO PARTS

By Dennis Halladay
CSNA R-5914

In the last issue, I discussed the recent increase in popularity of major Morgan dollar die varieties, which I believe is due in great part to years of their identification on third party grading service holders

Variety designations on holders are not new; several firms have made them for years, although at first only a few specialists seemed to care. What may have finally heated up the Morgan variety climate, however, is the relatively recent move by the largest grading service, PCGS, to identify several of the most obvious and significant varieties.

Following is a brief discussion of the 27 Morgan varieties which PCGS currently identifies on its holders. Two are included in the basic 97-coin set in PCGS' popular Registry Set program; the other 25 are listed as optional coins in the set.

1878 7TF Reverse of 1878

This is a longtime and widely recognized variety in the Morgan series. It is distinguished by the flat eagle's breast and parallel arrow feathers on the reverse. PCGS considers it part of a basic circulation strike Morgan set. It is a common coin.

1878 7/8 TF strong

Another longtime, widely recognized variety, and also part of the basic Morgan set at PCGS. Coins must have at least four complete extra tail feather tips to qualify, otherwise they are identified as the "weak" variety. Complete tips can be difficult to distinguish in early die state coins, as they often have two or three complete tail feather tips, and parts of one or two others. Such coins do not qualify as "strongs".

1878 7TF Reverse of 1879

Another longtime recognized variety, which is distinguished by the round eagle's breast and slanted arrow feathers on the reverse. It is worth the time to double-check coins in Reverse of 1878 holders to make sure they were identified correctly.

1878 7/8TF weak

There are numerous varieties that qualify for the "weak" designation; some have one or two complete extra tail feather tips, while others have only parts of three, four or five. In Mint State grades, "weaks" are currently valued lower than "strongs" even though fewer of them have been certified.

1879-CC Capped Die

A coin that has been known to collectors for many years, but has often been treated like a stepchild. According to the PCGS Population Report, it is twice as scarce as the "clear" CC variety.

1879-S Reverse of 1878

Another longtime, widely recognized variety, which tends to have a lot of marks in Mint State grades. I've heard stories about dealers selling raw examples of this

variety as common 1879-S coins, but I've never seen PCGS get the designation wrong.

1880 8/7

This a hard coin to locate in grades above Extra-Fine, because VAM 7 is very rare and VAM 6 is nearly so. Essentially the only Mint State examples available are VAM 9, and those are not easily found. Few 8/7s have been graded by PCGS, so probably the best way to obtain one is to buy it in another service's holder.

1880-CC 8 over 7 high

This is an obvious overdate that is not too difficult to find in unattributed PCGS holders, but it may take a while. The market place often charges a premium for this variety, which I feel is unjustified.

1880-CC 8 over 7 low

This coin is tougher than the 8 over 7 high. It can also be found in unattributed PCGS holders, but be prepared for a longer search. I feel this variety is worth a small premium.

1880/79-CC Reverse of 1878

All 1880-CCs with the reverse of 1878 come one of two ways: as an 80/79, or as an 8/7. The 80/79 is much more common, and it is easy to find. It is not worth the premium that the marketplace often tries to charge for it.

Morgan dollar varieties identified on PCGS holders

date	variety description	VAM #	total PCGS pop. on 1/02
1878*	7 tailfeathers reverse of 1878	various	5,288
1878*	7/8 tailfeathers strong	various	3,340
1878	7 tailfeathers reverse of 1879	various	2,713
1878	7/8 tailfeathers weak	various	1,901
1879-CC	Capped Die	VAM 3	943
1879-S	reverse of 1878	various	1,810
1880	8 over 7	VAMs 6,7,9	10
1880-CC	8 over 7 high	VAM 5	199
1880-CC	8 over 7 low	VAM 6	175
1880-CC	80 over 79 reverse of 1878	VAM 4	1,644
1880-CC	8 over 7 reverse of 1878	VAM 7	163
1880-O	80 over 79	VAMs 4,5	43
1880-S	8 over 7	VAMs 8,10	68
1880-S	0 over 9	VAM 11	126
1882-O	O over S	VAMs 3,4	736
1882-O	O over S weak	VAM 5	63
1887	7 over 6	VAM 2	866
1887-O	7 over 6	VAM 3	516
1888-O	Doubled Die Obverse	VAM 4	19
1890-CC	Tail Bar	VAM 4	27
1896-O	Micro O	VAM 4	0
1899-O	Micro O	various	0
1900-O	O over CC	various	3,186
1900-O	Micro O	VAM 5	0
1901	Doubled Die Reverse	VAM 3	24
1902-O	Micro O	VAM 3	2
1903-S	Micro S	VAM 2	11

*: PCGS includes these coins in the basic 97-coin Morgan dollar set

1880-CC 8/7 Reverse of 1878

Not an easy coin to locate. In fact, population totals show it is 11 times scarcer than the 1880/79-CC. It is worth the time to look at coins in older PCGS holders, but you'll need patience. I believe this coin is worth a premium.

1880/79-O

This variety is considerably more common than current population totals suggest. Unattributed Mint State examples are not too difficult to find in older PCGS holders.

1880-S 8/7

I believe the current modest population of this variety will rise moderately in the future, due to the nearly 100,000 1880-S that PCGS graded before the variety designation began. That makes this a fun cherry-picking exercise, because there are so many coins in older holders to look at.

1880/9-S

This is significantly more common than the 1880-S 8/7, and is a much easier overdate to see---which makes it great fun to hunt for in unattributed PCGS holders.

1882-O/S

Another longtime, widely recognized variety that is readily available in lower Mint State grades. In mint state, VAM 3 (top of the S is flush with the top of the O) is much scarcer than VAM 4 (S is recessed).

1881-O/S Weak

PCGS began recognizing the weak or "broken S" as a separate variety in 1998. In the four years since, it has graded three times as many "Strongs" as it has "Weaks".

1887/6

This is another widely recognized variety. The drawback with this one is it's not easy to see, even when you know what to look for.

1887/6-O

Although this is a longtime, widely recognized variety, this coin is not popular with Morgan collectors. The overdate is hard to see, and Mint State prices escalate rapidly above MS60.

1888-O Doubled Die Obverse

One of the most popular of all Morgan varieties, and the strongest doubled die obverse in the entire series. Usually seen in lower circulated grades. It is very popular in XF, and very scarce in AU. Only two certified Mint State coins are known to exist.

1890-CC Tail Bar

A very popular variety due to the huge reverse die gouge that connects the eagle's tail to the wreath. It is rare in lower circulated grades, but is still popular. Scarce in AU; rarely offered in Mint State, even though a few dozen are known to exist. This coin seems to be much scarcer in Mint State than VAM books say, and be prepared to pay a big premium if you ever find one for sale.

1896 Micro O

Extremely scarce in any grade, and rarely available in Very Fine or higher. Like all dates with Micro O varieties, there is no mistaking the tiny mint mark. So far, no Mint State coins have been certified by any grading service.

1899Micro O

Readily available in all grades through AU, but not yet in PCGS holders. Mint State coins are scarce, tend to sell quickly, and are not inexpensive. I'm still trying to find an unattributed example in an older PCGS holder.

1900 Micro O

A rare and very desirable coin in any grade. Seldom seen in grades above Fine, and no Mint State examples have been certified by any grading service. Actually, your best chance of locating one may be to search through a dealer's junk Morgan box. POCGS began attributing this variety earlier this year.

1900-O/CC

A longtime, widely recognized variety that is readily available.

1901 Doubled Die Reverse

The strongest double die reverse in the Morgan series. Desireable in any grade, very scarce in XF, and rare in AU. Just two low-grade Mint State coins have been certified. Its listing in *Coin World* Trends probably adds to its popularity.

1902-O Micro O

I believe this and the 1900 Micro O are the rarest of all the micro mint mark varieties. This date is rarely offered for sale in any grade and is always expensive. Once again, the best (but still slim) chance of finding one may be searching in a dealer's junk box.

1903-S Micro S

In addition to being a key date, this variety is scarce. Coins in XF are rare; Aus are very rare. No Mint State examples have been graded by any service. This is another variety that is virtually never offered for sale in PCGS holders. Premiums charged for this variety seem low in relation to its rarity.

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FOOD FOR SERIOUS THOUGHT!!!!

It is alarming to note that the Secretary's Report shows only 510 members. It is even more alarming when one sees that membership in 1978 was 1,419. In 1988, it was 1,010 and in 1998 the figure stood at 641. What is happening?

The same look-see shows 164 new members joined in 1978; 80 in 1988; and 33 in 1998. Only 17 new members have joined through August 26, 2002.

Another item of concern...only a handful are actively participating in conventions and symposia. A huge number of members didn't pay their dues when billed!

It would behoove the elected officials of this organization (and those who will take office next year) to do some serious looking at why people are not staying with or joining CSNA. What are we not doing or offering? At this rate....how long will it be before CSNA doesn't exist any more? TML

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CSNA TIME CAPSULE:

November, 1952: Convention Facts and Figures from the Arrowhead Springs Hotel in San Bernardino revealed total registrations of 171 with 191 attending the banquet.

Fall, 1962: The program for the Long Beach Convention at the Lafayette Hotel followed the theme of "Numismatics in the Future". The Friday night Forum would develop the theme with two speakers, one a distinguished amateur and the other a professional numismatist. The theme subject was continued at the Club Officers Breakfast Saturday morning with a series of five minute talks given by several outstanding numismatists.

Fall, 1972: Final plans for thre first California Educational Seminar were announced. The two day event was to be held at the California State Polytechnical College in Pomona. Classes featured detection of counterfeits and those attending will receive first hand knowledge in authenticating coins. Participation was limited to 30 students and the $50 fee included meals and Saturday night lodging at the school.

Fall, 1982: Secretary Ethel Lenhert reported 46 new members for the quarter and 236 members dropped for non-payment of 1982 dues. CSNA membership was 1,526.

Fall, 1992: Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald was President and Vice President Stephen M. Huston was featured in the Whos'' Who in Cal State column.

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GILROY ROBERTS

Recently the Museum of the American Numismatic Association at Colorado Springs, CO prepared a traveling exhibition of "A LIFE IN THE ARTS: MEDALLIC WORKS OF GILROY ROBERTS". The exhibit was made possible through support provided by the Gilroy and Lillian P. Roberts Foundation.

The exhibit explored part of the range of Robert's creativity and accomplishments. It included representations of some of his favorite and most acclaimed projects, and featured sketches as well as finished drawings preparatory to the bas-reliefs. Gilroy's sculpting tools, positive and negative plaster models, bronze galvanos and finished examples of his work were included in the display.

Gilroy Roberts (1905-1992) was considered America's foremost portrait medalist. His career as an artist began with small wood carvings. He was the only artist to have worked both as an engraver with the United States Bureau of Engraving and Printing and as a sculptor for the United States Mint. He was one of only a handful of artists in the modern world with the ability to carve original bas-relief dies in steel, in the manner of the classical Greeks and Romans, and at the same time used the most modern techniques of production sculpting for minting requirements.

Gilroy Roberts was born in Philadelphia, PA, into an artistic family. His father, John Roberts, was a sculptor and his Mother, Blanche Gilroy, was a painter and sculptress. His parents hoped that their only son would become a musician. However, Gilroy enrolled in art classes at the Pennsylvania Academy of Art. He supported his young family by taking jobs as an apprentice electrician and as an auto mechanic.

Robert's work caught the eye of Chief Engraver John Sinnock, and he served 18 months at the Philadelphia Mint (1936-37) until President Franklin Roosevelt ordered a cut in government employees. Gilroy Roberts moved to the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, perfecting his skills in note and stamp engraving. He also developed his skills in portraiture.

As Chief Engraver, he designed coins for half a dozen nations, sculpted inaugural medals for President's Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy and Johnson. He produced Congressional Medals honoring Irving Berlin, Dr. Jonas Salk and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill. Gilroy Roberts is best known for his portrait of President John F. Kennedy, which graces the U. S. 50 cent piece.

In 1964, Gilroy resigned as chief engraver, the first person to hold the post and not die in office. He later became Chairman of the board of General Numismastics Corporation (forerunner of the Franklin Mint). Here he designed medals that commemorated Senator Robert Kennedy, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and many others.

Many of Robert's creations are especially admired for their liveliness. He believed "a quick sketch is sometimes the best work you'll ever do. That sort of first impression sometimes says more, and has more life

to it, than any completed piece ever can. The element of spontaneity is very hard for an artist to catch. I think most artists probably like their sketches more than they do the finished artwork."

Roberts felt that the portrait was the most difficult of all subjects to personalize. He said "the need to make the subject recognizable deprives you of some of your identity as an artist. A portrait is pretty well designed for you. Composition and, when possible, personal observation are the only tools you can use to show that a portrait is actually a personal view of the subject."

"...there's just as much romance in art as people think there is ...(it) naturally comes from the joy of creating. I don't think there's anything on earth that can match the satisfaction of using your skill and imagination to produce something that you feel is right and that other people respond to in the way you hoped they would." (G. Roberts)

A VERY POPULAR COIN

1964 Half-Dollar/Silver

Type: XIII Half-Dollar
Size 19 or 1 3/16"
Weight 192.9 grains
Edge: Reeded
90% Silver 10% Copper
Mintage: 433,460,212
Proofs Minted: 3,950,762
Mint Marks: "D" only

Designers:

Obverse, Gilroy Roberts: The device is the likeness of President John F. Kennedy, facing left. It rises higher on the field than the average, causing the hair to partially cover the letters B, E, and R in the word LIBERTY which is letterspaced in the legend. Also letterspaced is the date, 1964. The motto IN GOD WE TRUST is divided. The first two words are positioned to the left of the point of the neck, and the last two words repose on the same plane to the right of the neck line. The designer's initials, GR, is located on the truncation of the neck. The Chief Engraver used a stylized artistic monogram to identify his work.

Reverse, Frank Gasparo: The seal of the President of the United States is well defined in the field. A Union shield rests on the breast of an eagle displayed, which holds an olive branch in the right talon and thirteen arrows in the left. A scroll in the eagles beak bears the motto E PLUUTIBUS UNUM, and rays originating from the center penetrate a constellation of thirteen stars and thirteen cloud puffs. An amulet of fifty stars encloses the device surrounded by UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and HALF DOLLAR. Gasparro's initials, FG, are slightly monogramed and appear at the apex of the left leg and the last tail feather.

(Encyclopedia of U. S. Coins)

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Rubeniii@go.com

NOVEMBER 10, 2002
PALO ALTO

Peninsula Coin Club Annual Coins and Collectibles Show
Elk's Lodge #1471
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Bourse: Fred van den Haak
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Concord Veterans Memorial Bldg.
2290 Willow Pass Road at Colfax
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SAN JOSE

San Jose Coin Club Annual Show, Parkside Hall, Between Park Avenue and San Carlos, near Market Street
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Cupertino Coin Club Annual Show
Napredak Hall, 770 Montague & Expressway in San Jose
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17 & Under Free
Bourse: Bruce Braga
(800) 255-3774 Ext 2845
or PO Box 448, Cupertino, CA 95015-0448

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LIVERMORE

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Bourse: Howard Kosanke
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Vallejo Elks Lodge #559
2850 Redwood Parkway
Off Admiral Callaghan, at I-80
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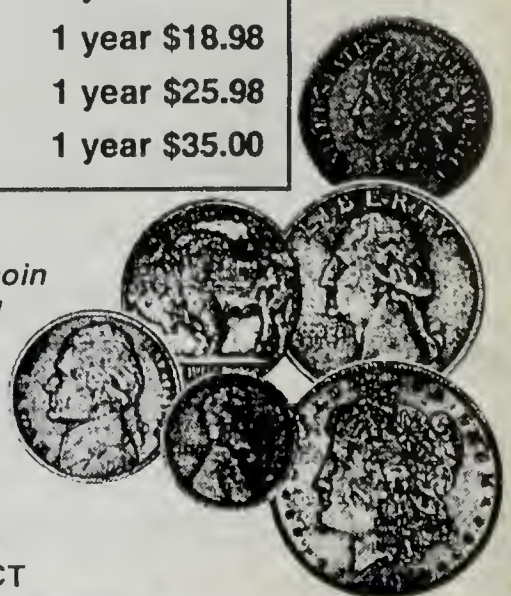

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